

**PUBLIC NOTICES FOR  
CLEAN WATER ACT 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION  
BEFORE THE DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS**

An application for water quality certification under section 401 of the Clean Water Act for the following project was filed with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Water Rights (Division). California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 3858 requires the Executive Officer of the State Water Board to provide public notice of an application at least twenty-one (21) days before taking certification action on the application. Written questions and/or comments regarding the application should be directed to:

Water Quality Certification Unit  
Division of Water Rights  
P.O. Box 2000  
Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

<b>RECEIVED:</b>	June 22, 2009
<b>PROJECT:</b>	Cinnamon Ranch Hydroelectric Project, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Project No. 6885
<b>APPLICANT:</b>	Richard Moss
<b>COUNTY:</b>	Mono County
<b>RECEIVING WATER:</b>	Pellisier Creek, Middle Creek (aka Middle Canyon Creek), and Birch Creek
<b>PUBLIC NOTICE:</b>	July 22, 2009
<b>PROJECT STATUS:</b>	Pending certification action

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Richard Moss (Applicant) is seeking relicensing of the Cinnamon Ranch Hydroelectric Project (Project) with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Prior to the issuance of the FERC license, the Applicant must obtain a Clean Water Act (CWA) section 401 water quality certification that the project will be in compliance with the specified provisions of the CWA (33 U.S.C. § 1341 et seq.), including State water quality standards as contained in the applicable water quality control plan.

The Project is in Hammil Valley, Mono County and diverts water from Pellisier Creek, Middle Creek (aka Middle Canyon Creek), and Birch Creek. The Project proposes no changes to the current operation, or no new construction. The State Water Resources Control Board is the lead agency for the purpose of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and issuance of a water quality certification is subject to CEQA.